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SUBJECT: US-USSR COOPERATION IN SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY: COMPUTER APPLICATIONS (01.01): STALLED EXCHANGES

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1. EMBOFF 26 JANUARY REQUESTED MEETING WITH AYKAZYAN TO DISCUSS STALL IN COOPERATION ON COMPUTER APPLICATIONS. AFTER LEARNING THAT RAMAYEV IS ILL AND WILL NOT RETURN TO OFFICE FOR AT LEAST TWO MORE WEEKS, AYKAZYAN AGREED TO MEETING 28 JANUARY AFTERNOON.

2. AS PRELIMINARY RESPONSE, AYKAZYAN NOTED THAT HE SHARES US-SIDE DESIRE FOR EARLY REPLACEMENT OF DVORETS, BUT SAID NO ONE HAS BEEN NAMED (THIS CORROBORATES STATEMENT EARLIER THAT DAY OF LEVTONOV).

3. FYI. EMBOFF HAD BEEN INFORMED 20 JANUARY THAT RAMAYEV WOULD NOT RETURN UNTIL END OF JANUARY. ATTEMPTS TO CONTACT SHORIN AND BEZRUKOV WEEK OF 19 JANUARY WERE FRUITLESS, AND EMBOFF 21 JANUARY CONTACTED OFFICE OF MYASNIKOV (RAMAYEV'S CHIEF), CHIEF, SCST'S MAIN ADMINISTRATION OF COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY AND CONTROL SYSTEMS, TO REQUEST MEETING WITH SOMEONE TO DISCUSS COMPUTER AREA. MYASNIKOV IDE PROMISED THAT MYASNIKOV WOULD APPOINT SOMEONE AND CALL BACK. NO CALLED RECEIVED.

4. COMMENT: WITH ILLNESS OF RAMAYEV (WHO IS PROVING TO BE KEY POINT), LACK OF EXECUTIVE SECRETARY FOR AGREEMENT, AND APPROACH OF CPSU PARTY CONGRESS, BEST THAT CAN BE EXPECTED FROM EMBOFF-AYKAZYAN MEETING IS PROBABLY (A) SOVIET COMMITMENT TO PROVIDE OVERDUE PAPERS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE (EMBOFF WILL DELVER TO UNCLASSIFIED

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AYKAZYAN THE PAPERS FOR BZRUKOV TO UNDERSCORE THIS POINT), AND

(B) SOVIET AGREEMENT-IN-PRINCIPLE TO MEET WITH AUFENKAMP IN
MARCH.
WILL ADVISE.
SOTESSEL

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